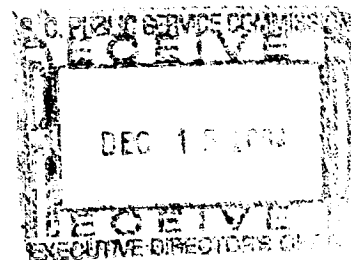


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I, Susan Mullinax, being the legal advertising agent for *The Greenville News*, do hereby testify that the attached legal ad was published on 103 lines in The Greenville News on December 8, 2004.

Susan Mullinax

Susan Mullinax, Legal Advertising Representative

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 DOCKETING DEPARTMENT
 NOTICE OF FILING
 AND HEARING
 DOCKET NO. 2004-316-C
 BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. has filed a Petition requesting that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina convene a docketed generic proceeding and hold an evidentiary hearing (as necessary) to determine what changes recent decisions of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ("DC Circuit") require in existing approved interconnection agreements between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and competitive local exchange carriers ("CLECs") in South Carolina.
 A copy of the Petition is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 and is available from Patrick W. Turner, General Counsel, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., 1600 Williams St., Ste. 3200, Columbia, SC 29201.
 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m., on Monday, January 24, 2005, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before December 17, 2004 and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2004-316-C.
 Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, and Patrick W. Turner, General Counsel, at the above address in writing, on or before December 17, 2004 and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2004-316-C.
 Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before December 17, 2004. Please refer to Docket No. 2004-316-C.
 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing. Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5113.
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 Post Office Drawer 11649
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 South Carolina 29211
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